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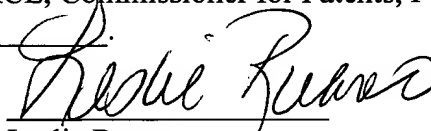
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Negus et al.
Serial No: 09/493,423
Filed: January 29, 2000
For: PERCUTANEOUS MYOCARDIAL REVASCULARIZATION
MARKING AND THERAPEUTIC OR DIAGNOSTIC AGENT DELIVERY
SYSTEM
Examiner: Farah, Ahmed M.
Group No: 3739
Docket No: LE-199J

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN THE THIRD MONTH

Applicant respectfully petitions that he be granted an extension of time within the third month, until January 29, 2004, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a), and 1.7, to file a Request for Continued Examination to the Final Office Action mailed July 29, 2003. Our check in the amount of \$950.00 is enclosed for the fee for a large entity to obtain this extension.

If for any reason this Petition is found to be incomplete, or if at any time it appears that a telephone conference with counsel would help advance prosecution, please telephone the undersigned or his associates, collect in Waltham, Massachusetts, (781) 890-5678.

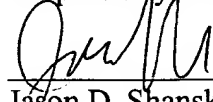
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